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**LETTER TO THE OFFICIAL DRAFTSPERSON**

**SUBMISSION OF DRAWINGS IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 10, 2003, we are submitting herewith the formal drawings (Figures 1 to 13).

Respectfully submitted,

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Please find attached for filing:

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- Letter to the Official Draftsperson
  - Formal drawings Figure 1 to 13

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